who died during the last three years because of the killer disease;

(b) the number of persons cured and the system of medicine applied;

(c) whether research in the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, has yet shown any break through in tackling the disease; and

(d) if not, whether assistance from foreign countries with advanced research experience, in genetics, is likely to be obtained?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Second meeting of the council under J.C.M. Scheme

188. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the second meeting of the staff Council under J.C.M. Scheme was held on the 5th April, 1988;

(b) if so, details of its agenda and actual business conducted therein;

(c) what are the details of members who attended and those who did not attend the meeting; and

(d) what are the reasons, if any, for not nominating/ deputing their representatives to the said meeting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

Harmful effect of non-iodised salt

189. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the consumption of non-iodised salt by human beings can cause several ailments;

(b) whether any research has been conducted in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and by when the non-iodised salt is likely to be banned in the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) to (c) No. Consumption of non-iodised salt by a normal healthy person does not cause any ailment.

Intake of iodine is the simple and cheapest method for control of Goitre and other associated iodine deficiency disorders, one of the most widely prevalent nutritional problems of the country. Hence, iodised salt is being sponsored to areas endemic for Goitre and other IDDs., under the National Goitre Control programme.

The scheme for iodisation of the entire edible salt in the country is being implemented in phases, to be completed by the year 1992.

Postings of PGTs/Vice Principals in KVS

190. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:
SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a meeting of Board of Governors of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan was recently held in New Delhi;